## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA MACON DIVISION

TINA M. GREGORY f/k/a	)
Tina Adams Green;	)
individually and as Class	)
Representative for all others	)
similarly situated,	)
Plaintiffs,	)
	) CIVIL ACTION NUMBER
v.	) 5:11-CV-00422-MTT
PREFERRED FINANCIAL	) 5.11-6 v -00422-14111
SOLUTIONS;	)
CREDIT CARD RELIEF;	)
THOMAS P. DAKICH,	)
d/b/a DAKICH & ASSOCIATES;	)
JEFFREY BROOKS;	
RHONDA ROELL-TAYLOR;	)
LARRY D. WILSON;	)
ROD MILLER;	)
DANIEL YUSKA;	)
STEVE MLYNSKI;	)
JEFF WHITEHEAD; and	)
LAQUETTA PEARSON,	
Defendants.	) ) )
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# PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT ROELL-TAYLOR'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 56, Defendant, Rhonda Roell-Taylor ("Taylor") had filed a Motion for Summary Judgment as to herself individually. Plaintiff Tina M. Gregory f/k/a Tina Adams Green ("Gregory") hereby submits the following Response, and for reasons stated herein, consents to the Granting of Taylor's Motion as to Defendant Taylor individually.

#### ARGUMENT AND CONCLUSION

I. <u>Based upon the Affidavit of Taylor submitted herewith, there is no genuine dispute of any material fact as to Taylor's individual liability.</u>

Defendant Taylor has moved this Court for summary judgment individually stating that she had not violated the Georgia Debt Adjusting Act (GDAA), OCGA §§ 18-5-1 *et. seq.* To violate the GDAA the Defendant Taylor would have had to have been involved in the activities defined in the GDAA as debt adjusting for a fee. In her Motion for Summary Judgment (Doc. 118) ("Taylor MSJ"), Taylor declares the following to be "... Undisputed Facts Relevant to Defendant Taylor's Motion":

9. As an LPPA, Defendant Taylor was hired as a Georgia attorney to review the Plaintiffs enrollment forms, conduct a telephone consultation (with the customers/debtors), and to send an engagement letter to the particular client.

. . .

12. Taylor, as an LPPA, did not perform any debt adjustment services.

Doc. 118, pp. 4-5.

Defendant Taylor did not present any deposition or affidavit testimony to support the stated facts in her MSJ. However, Defendant Taylor has now reduced her testimony to an affidavit which is submitted and attached hereto as Exhibit A which confirms that Taylor did not perform any debt adjusting for the Plaintiff or anyone else in the Preferred Plan; nor did she supervise anyone in her office or in anyone else's office to perform debt adjusting; and nor did she conduct any meaningful review for approval of any of the debt settlement agreements with the creditors of the Plaintiff or anyone else. See Exhibit A, ¶¶ 8, 9, 14 and 15.

As Plaintiff has stated in previous pleadings, the debt adjusting activities performed for the Plaintiff and the Class Members was conducted by employees of Preferred, Dakich or Whitehead in Indiana without the supervision of involvement of the LPPA in Georgia, therefore Plaintiff consents to an entry of Summary Judgment as to Defendant Rhonda Roell-Taylor and reserves her claims against all other Defendants.

The Court need not engage in an analysis of the facts as to Taylor's liability under the GDAA as the undisputed facts from Taylor herself demonstrate that Defendant Taylor did not engage in debt adjusting in violation of the Act. Further, if the Defendant Taylor did not engage in debt adjusting, then there is no need to analysis whether her actions were exempt as "debt adjusting incurred in the practice of law in this state." OCGA § 18-5-3.

Respectfully submitted this 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that I have this day served all counsel of record in the foregoing matter with a copy of *Plaintiffs' Response to Defendant Roell-Taylor's Motion for Summary Judgment* by electronically filing a copy of same with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification to the following parties:

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